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| |) | Group Art Unit 3673 |
| James E. Ingle |) | |
| |) | Examiner: Jong Suk Lee |
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| Filed: November 24, 2003 |) | |
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| For: JACK UP MOBILE OFFSHORE |) | |
| DRILLING UNITS (MODUS) AND |) | |
| JACKING METHOD AND APPARATUS |) | |

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED OCTOBER 7, 2004

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 7, 2004, please consider the following amendments, which cancel claims 30 and 32-37 (without prejudice to Applicant's right to pursue their subject matter in a further divisional application) and place this application in condition for allowance with allowable claims 31 and 38-49.

Amendment to the Title is on page 2 of this paper.

Amendment to the Specification is on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Amendment to the Abstract is noted on page 8 of this paper, the amended Abstract is appended hereto as substitute page 28.

The Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.